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or cured in the fish-curing yard on the Church Island. The proceeds by sale of such fish amounted to Rs. 338-4-0, of which Rs. 241-12-6 represent the sale-proceeds of the fish cured on the Church Island.

- (h) As no attempt was made to use the trawler commercially the question does not arise.

Industries

Establishment of peripatetic weaving schools in Cuddapah district.

* 306 Q.—Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO : With reference to the answers given to clause (ii) of my question No. 1753, answered on 15th March 1928, will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(a) what steps have been taken to establish peripatetic weaving schools ;

(b) what allotment has been made for the grant-in-aid of such institutions for the year 1928-29 ; and

(c) what special arrangements have been made to push on co-operative organizations in the Ceded districts to assist the weavers in disposing of the products of their looms and also to provide loans for the purchase of comparatively improved appliances ?

A.—(a) The District Boards have been addressed on the subject.

* Replies received so far are under consideration.

(b) None.

(c) A scheme for the formation of weavers co-operative societies with special reference to the provision of a central agency for marketing their cloth is under the consideration of the Director of Industries and the Registrar of Co-operative Societies. No definite steps have yet been taken to start co-operative societies for advancing loans to weavers for the purchase of comparatively costly appliances, but the matter is under consideration.

[For further list of starred questions, vide page 480 infra.]

UNSTARRED QUESTIONS

Irrigation

Completion of the Markandeya River project in Salem district.

307 Q.—Mr. T. ADINARAYANA CHETTIYAR : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have taken any steps on the request of the public meeting of the citizens of Salem district held in May 1927 urging the taking in hand and early completion of the Markandeya River project in Salem district ;

(b) whether the said project, if completed, will irrigate some 5,000 acres of wet land ;

(c) whether at present Government is obliged to make large remissions annually ;